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The meeting was called to order at 10.20 a.m.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS (continued)

The PRESIDENT said that the Division for Social Development of the United Nations Office at Vienna had requested that the thirty-third session of the Commission for Social Development, scheduled to take place from 1 to 10 February 1993, should be held instead from 8 to 17 February 1993, a change which would coincide with the programme scheduling at Vienna. He took it that the Council agreed to the change requested.

It was so decided.

COORDINATION QUESTIONS (continued):

(b) IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON THE GRANTING OF INDEPENDENCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES BY THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND THE INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS ASSOCIATED WITH THE UNITED NATIONS (continued) (E/1992/L.38)

Mr. WHANNOU (Benin), introducing draft resolution E/1992/L.38, said that the purpose of the resolution was, as in previous years, to facilitate the specialized agencies' contribution to decolonization, which was in its final phase during the current decade, by reaffirming that the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system should take all effective measures to assist in the full and speedy implementation of the Declaration and other relevant resolutions of the United Nations bodies. The sponsors had borne in mind the extremely fragile economies of the small island Territories and their vulnerability to natural disasters; they also recalled General Assembly resolution 46/70 on assistance to Non-Self-Governing Territories.

The text expressed the Council's appreciation to the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system for their cooperation and recommended that all States should intensify their efforts in those bodies to ensure the implementation of the Declaration and other related resolutions.

(Mr. Whannou, Benin)

It also stressed the preponderant role played by the United Nations Development Programme in coordinating assistance to the peoples of colonial Territories; and it urged the administering Powers concerned to facilitate the participation of the representatives of the Governments of those Territories at the relevant meetings and conferences of the agencies and organizations. It also requested the President of the Council to maintain contact, on those matters with the Chairman of the Special Committee against Apartheid, and requested the Secretary-General to follow the implementation of the current resolution, with particular attention to coordination and integration, and to report thereon to the Council in 1993. Two preambular and two operative paragraphs also expressed the Council's solidarity with the black peoples of southern Africa who were still struggling against apartheid.

The sponsors hoped that the Council would adopt draft resolution E/1992/L.38 unanimously.

PROGRAMME AND RELATED QUESTIONS (continued) (E/1992/L.36)

The PRESIDENT drew attention to the draft decision (E/1992/L.36) which he proposed on behalf of the Bureau for adoption by the Council, in regard to summary records of sessional committees, the regional commissions and other subsidiary bodies of the Council. Since summary records for the bodies enumerated in the draft decision had already been discontinued for a number of years, the Bureau thought that the Council might wish to maintain that situation in 1993. The Council was invited to take action accordingly at its next plenary meeting.

The meeting rose at 10.30 a.m.